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TO AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT PRIORITY

INFO AMEMBASSY RABAT

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SUBJECT: ALLEGED SPANISH THREAT AGAINST MAURITANIA

MAURITANIAN AMBASSADOR TELEPHONED DEPTOFF MAY 14 REPORTING
THAT COMMANDER OF AL AIUM GARRISON HAD THREATENED TO
INVADE MAURITANIA FOLLOWING INCIDENT IN WHICH
SAHARAN GUERRILLAS HAS TAKEN TWO CAPTURED SPANISH
SOLDIERS ACROSS THE FRONTIER INTO MAURITANIA.

AMBASSADOR SAID MAURITANIA HAD MOVED SOME FORCES TO
FRONTIER WITH SPANISH SAHARA BUT ADDED QUOTE WE DO
NOT REALLY HAVE AN ARMY UNQUOTE. HE EXPRESSED DOUBT

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THAT MADRID WOULD AUTHORIZE AN INVASION. DEPTOFF

SAID DEPARTMENT NOT AWARE THREAT AND EXPRESSED PERSONAL
DOUBT THAT ANY INVASION LIKELY. KISSINGER

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